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MUST PAY MORE RAILROAD FARE

Five Roads Will Put New 2-1-2 Cent Rate Into Effect Thursday.

On Thursday, April 1, the new 2-1-2-cent passenger rate for Virginia will be put into effect by the Chesapeake and Ohio, Norfolk and Western, Southern, Seaboard Air Line, and Atlantic Coast Line. The addition of a half a cent to the present rate will make quite a difference in the fare between points in this State, and passengers riding on these five roads will have to dig deeper into their pockets or purses than they have since October 1, 1907, when the 2-cent rate became effective. The order of the State Corporation Commission permitting the roads to increase the rate requires that the companies must sell 1,000-mile mileage books at the 2-cent rate. People who travel a great deal will buy these books and save \$5 on every 1,000 miles they ride. There are many, however, who do not ride often, and then for only comparatively short distances, and they will pay the straight 2-1-2-cent fare.

The following table shows the old and new rates between Richmond and various points in Virginia:

| Old Rate. | New Rate. |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Richmond to— | |
| Williamsburg..... | \$1.75 |
| Norfolk..... | 1.95 |
| Newport News..... | 1.50 |
| Columbia..... | 1.15 |
| Scottsville..... | 1.35 |
| Lynchburg..... | 2.50 |
| Lexington..... | 3.45 |
| Gordonsville..... | 1.50 |
| Orange..... | 1.70 |
| Charlottesville..... | 1.95 |
| Staunton..... | 2.70 |
| Basic..... | 2.45 |
| Goehsen..... | 2.30 |
| Clifton Forge..... | 3.85 |
| Covington..... | 4.10 |
| Hot Springs..... | 4.60 |
| Petersburg..... | 4.55 |
| Suffolk..... | 1.60 |
| Bedford..... | 3.00 |
| Radford..... | 4.40 |
| Charlottesville..... | 2.30 |
| West Point..... | 80 |
| South Boston..... | 2.20 |
| Chase City..... | 1.80 |
| Burkeville..... | 1.05 |
| Keyville..... | 1.45 |

Ready for the Increase.

The order of the Commission allowing the increase of the rate came down about two weeks ago, and since that time the passenger departments of the five roads have been working night and day getting the new rates in shape so that tickets can be placed on sale on a basis of 2-1-2 cents Thursday morning.

All of the roads affected probably will put their summer excursion rates into effect again. Last year the roads abandoned the excursions on account of the 2-cent rate. Hundreds of people take advantage of the excursions to make trips to various parts of the State, going on one excursion train and returning on another a week or month later. In this way they save much in railroad fare.

The 2-cent rate will continue to be effective on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac, the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk, Chesapeake and Western, Virginia, and Louisville and Nashville.

JAILED FOR STEALING PAPER

Elijah Allen Takes a Times-Dispatch and Gets Fifteen Days.

Elijah Allen, a small colored boy, was sentenced to fifteen days in jail in Police Court yesterday morning on the charge of stealing a copy of the Sunday Times-Dispatch. The boy was seen stealing the paper by J. B. Patterson.

Mary Mayre (colored) was sent on to the grand jury on a charge of assaulting and chewing off a finger of Nannie Brooks.

While Williams (colored), charged with knifing Adam Jasper, had his case continued to April 2, and was bailed in the sum of \$500.

Gentry-Napier.

A marriage license was issued yesterday in the Hustings Court to Charles D. Gentry and Nellie Lee Napier, of Richmond.

LEFT QUARANTINE AT DR. SMITH'S

Smallpox Sign Removed by Health Board, all Danger Now Having Passed.

The smallpox sign was removed yesterday afternoon from the home of Rev. W. R. L. Smith, 301 West Grace Street, which has been quarantined since March 15 on account of a confirmed case of the disease, which was reported to the Board of Health on that date. In the person of Rosa Pitts, a colored nurse, who contracted the disease in Norfolk. The patient was at once removed to the smallpox hospital, and died on March 24.

The only cause for anxiety has been the fact that the infant daughter of Dr. Smith, who was nursed by the Pitts woman, and who had never been vaccinated. Chief Health Officer Levy considered it necessary to maintain strict quarantine for two weeks after the removal of the patient and fumigation of the house. This time expired yesterday afternoon. The baby fortunately escaped, owing to the fact that she was vaccinated as soon as the case was reported to the Health Department.

No Danger Now.

"There is absolutely no danger to be anticipated now," said Dr. Levy last night. "If any one in the house was going to get smallpox, the disease would have shown up by now. The house and everything in it has been thoroughly fumigated, except the articles in the room from which the patient was taken, and these were promptly burned. The members of this family are probably the last persons in Richmond from whom smallpox could now be contracted, as we are able to state positively that they have not been in contact with any case for two weeks, on account of their having been in strict quarantine, and this is more than can be stated positively of any one who has been going about town, as unrecognized cases appear from time to time."

Apparently he will have no further trouble from this case. There is, however, a bare chance that some case, not reported to us, may have developed among the unvaccinated persons with whom this woman was thrown in contact during the first days of her illness before she went to bed. Again the moral, be vaccinated."

Moves Office to Richmond.

The State Corporation Commission yesterday granted an amendment to the charter of the Botetown Lumber Company (Inc.), of Abingdon, allowing the company to move its principal office from Abingdon to Richmond.

SPINNERS COMING FROM ALL SECTIONS TO RICHMOND

American Cotton Manufacturers' Association, Which Will Meet Here in May, Is Expected to Break All Attendance Records—At Work on Program.

Reports received here from officers and members in New England and the South indicate that the annual convention of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association, which will be held at the Jefferson Hotel in May, will be the largest on record in point of numbers and in the importance of matters to be considered. The program is now in course of preparation, although it will not be published for several weeks. The subjects to be discussed will cover a wide range, though the reports of standing committees will be really the meat of the convention. It is not known as yet who will be invited as the special guest of the spinners. Last year the orator was Governor John A. Johnston of Minnesota.

When the convention met here last May and the Chamber of Commerce and

YOUNGSTERS NAME MAYOR AND BOARD

Barton Heights Has Rival Council, All Members Being Under Twenty-One.

Barton Heights elected a rival Mayor and Town Council last night, Hubert Rose winning in the race for Mayor after a lively contest at the polls. Strange as it may seem, Mayor Miller managed the campaign, though his rival is only nineteen years of age, with his associates some years younger. Determined to organize a Union League, the youngsters got together, pulled open at Radley's drug store, between the hours of 6 and 9 o'clock last night. There were regular printed tickets, though when the next election is held voters will not be permitted to cast their ballots unless they can show a registration certificate.

When the polls opened the voters swarmed in, none but boys being permitted to take part.

There was no trading, no vote buying, no liquor around the precincts and no cry of fraud, everything being conducted in better style than under the average primary of older white citizens. It was explained that the youngsters would not attempt to oust Mayor Miller out of his job, as he will be allowed to serve his term out of courtesy and because he is making good. The Council will be duly organized next week.

Evans Davidson was elected corporation commissioner, the Council being composed of the following tuskies: Bingham Baché, William Rader, Taylor Pitt, Robert Pitt, Frank Farrow, Hubert Baldwin, Virgilus Croxton, Gilbert Cosby, Lauman Ragland, Alfred Strothers, Charles Davenport, Malcolm Pitt, Frank Kuyk, Terrell Gordon and Herbert Beck.

MR. STUART RESIGNS

Young Church Will Pastor Will Enter Work of Anti-Saloon League.

Rev. C. E. Stuart, pastor of Venable Street Baptist Church, who was elected last week district superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia, announced to his congregation Sunday his resignation of the pastorate. It is expected that Mr. Stuart will shortly take up the duties of his new position. He will have charge of the pending campaign in Petersburg, and later of the proposed campaign in Norfolk, having general oversight of the work of the league in Tidewater Virginia.

A committee has been appointed by the congregation of Venable Street Church in the hope of inducing Mr. Stuart to reconsider. He has been pastor of the church for more than three years.

WIRE HIGH SCHOOL

Proposed to Light New School Building from Electric Plant.

A meeting of the Council Committee on Electricity has been called for to-night to take up the question of making provision for lighting the High School building and the City Hall. Should the plan suggested by City Electrician Thompson be adopted it will be necessary to change the wiring contract for the High School building, as all the motors, wires and electrical machinery in that building are arranged for commercial current rather than for the power to be generated at the city plant.

CHARTER FOR LYNCHBURG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

A charter was issued yesterday to the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce by the State Corporation Commission. The capital stock is placed at a maximum of \$150,000 and a minimum of \$50,000, and the object of the organization is to "promote the civic welfare of the city of Lynchburg." The officers named in the charter are C. G. Craddock, president; E. P. Miller, vice-president; W. E. Addison, secretary, and G. E. Vaughan, treasurer—all of Lynchburg.

BUILD ROAD FROM GOLF COURSE TO BOSTON

National Roads Association Would Construct Highway Through Seaboard States.

EXTEND TRUNK TO ROCKIES

John H. Broad in Richmond to Interest Chamber of Commerce in Movement.

John H. Broad, editor and owner of the Morrisville, N. Y., Leader, and a representative of the National Roads Association, is touring the South for the purpose of interesting the Chambers of Commerce and other business organizations of the principal cities in the national association and pledging them to send delegates to the national good roads convention to be held in St. Augustine in January, 1910. Mr. Broad arrived in Richmond Sunday, and held a conference yesterday with W. T. Dabney, business manager of the Chamber of Commerce, and secured the promise of the chamber to send delegates to the national convention.

Mr. Broad will have a conference with Governor Swanson today relative to good roads in Virginia, and he will leave to-night for Raleigh to visit Governor Kitchen, of North Carolina. From Raleigh he will go to Columbia, S. C.; Charleston, S. C.; Augusta, Ga.; Atlanta, Ga.; Savannah, Ga.; Montgomery, Ala.; Birmingham, Ala.; St. Augustine, Fla., and Nashville, Tenn.

Road From Florida to Boston.

When seen by a reporter for The Times-Dispatch last night, Mr. Broad talked on the objects and aims of the national association, and discussed the good roads movement in New York, Pennsylvania and other States. He said that the national association, which was organized at St. Augustine, Fla., last month, and later incorporated under the laws of the State, has for its ultimate object the construction of a trunk road from St. Augustine to Boston, through the seaboard States, and from Boston to the Rockies via Chicago and Omaha. It is proposed to have the road connect all of the larger cities en route, and, wherever possible, to connect it with government and State roads and turnpikes.

When the road is complete, an effort will be made to have the cities and counties to build branch roads from the trunk and in this way form a network of good roads throughout all of the States through which the main trunk passes.

Seek Federal Aid.

Federal aid will be asked for the construction of the trunk. John A. Stewart, of New York, president of the national association, was in Washington last week in the interest of the association. He secured from the Federal aid for roads have been introduced in Congress in recent years, but they have failed to pass because of a diversity of opinion as to how the aid can best be given. Mr. Stewart's object is to unite the several interests in the matter and to draw a bill to have the government survey the road possible to the State associations in the matter of road building. The organization is not seeking any funds, as the officers, who are prominent business men, have contributed enough money to take care of the preliminary work. The association has its headquarters in New York and St. Augustine, and headquarters will be established in Washington in the next ten days.

Roads in New York.

Asked about good roads in New York State, Mr. Broad said that 3,000 miles of macadam road has either been completed or contracted for, and now the State has issued \$50,000,000 in bonds for the construction of additional highways. The average cost of the roads per mile in New York is from \$3,000 to \$10,000, the increased cost over that of the Southern States being accounted for by the greater amount of grading necessary in New York. Every mile of road in that State was built under State aid, the State furnishing 50 per cent, the county 25 per cent, and the town or city through which the road runs giving the remaining 25 per cent.

Richmond Surprises.

This is the first trip Mr. Broad has made to the South, and he expressed himself as being greatly surprised with the size and apparent bustle and go about Richmond. He said he had gathered the idea from Northern histories and magazine stories that Richmond was a quaint, slow old city, but that he found that it was as wide awake as any of its size he has seen. He paid a high tribute to the Chamber of Commerce, declaring that it was larger and more prosperous than the chambers of Buffalo or Syracuse, cities of much greater population than Richmond.

Besides being a newspaper man, Mr. Broad is a prosperous farmer, and he asked many questions about agricultural conditions in Virginia. Sunday afternoon he took a trip to the country surrounding the city, inspecting farm lands. During his trip he will visit some of the larger agricultural schools of the South and some of the agricultural test farms maintained by the different States.

NAME ENGINEER FOR FLUME WORK

J. A. Johnston Gets Position on Recommendation of Board of Officials.

WILL RECEIVE A COMMISSION

Committee Rejects Motion to Hold Election Behind Closed Doors.

J. A. Johnston, who was a member of the board which selected the plans and specifications for the construction of the new settling basin flume, was last night elected to the position of resident engineer on the work, and his salary fixed at 3 per cent. of the contract price of the work, or \$1,680.

In electing Mr. Johnston, the Council Committee on Water accepted the report of the Board of Officials, composed of the City Engineer, the Superintendent of the Water Works and the Building Inspector, to whom had been referred the duty of recommending to the committee the most competent man for the position among six applicants, all of whom were reported to be capable of taking charge of the work.

Board Is Responsible.

"My idea is that all responsibility for this work should be placed in the hands of this board," said Councilman Fuller, of Madison Ward, who made the motion that the report be accepted. "And I think we ought to accept the board's recommendation."

Alderman Rennolds, of Monroe, was of the same opinion, and so expressed himself.

"I don't feel that we ought to accept Mr. Johnston as the resident engineer," said Councilman Cutchins, of Lee Ward, "because he was one of the four men who accepted the plans for the work, and moreover the men who recommended him are the other three who made up the board." Superintendent Davis and Inspector Bell were present at the meeting, but Engineer Bolling was detained in the meeting of the Committee on Streets. When the vote on the acceptance of the committee's report was put there were no negatives.

It took scarcely an hour for the committee to agree on its action, and the only especially interesting incident came from one of the members moved to vote on the question of selecting an engineer in executive session. Councilman Cutchins made the motion, which was promptly killed, when Councilman George E. Wise said: "So far as I am concerned, I want everything about this flume to be open and above board, so everybody can know everything which goes on."

Superintendent Davis, before the vote on accepting the report was put, said that Engineer Johnston had stated if he were given the position he would be willing to allow the city the \$200 due him as a member of the board and accept the plans and specifications. This was considered when Councilman Garber moved that the salary should be on a basis of \$150 per month.

Report of Board.

One of the chief points in the report of the board, as accepted by the committee, is that the engineer shall be on the work whenever operations are going on and shall be in touch with it at all times. It was agreed that two inspectors shall be appointed at a salary of \$75 a month each, and that they shall be subject to the instructions of the engineer.

The engineer is subject to the control of the Water Committee, and must make daily reports of the progress of the work. He is also required to notify the committee whenever the flume is to be tested, in order that the members, if they so desire, may be present. The engineer is given the privilege of employing inspectors, but his recommendations are subject to the committee's approval.

The committee's appointee is an experienced engineer, and is a graduate of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and of Cornell University. He has had much experience in concrete work of all kinds, and is a native of this city.

Wednesday Club List to Close.

It was announced yesterday that the Wednesday Club subscription list will be closed on the night of March 31, after which no names will be received. There are already more than 200 subscribing members.

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To-Day and To-Morrow

Men's Serge Suits Which sold last season up to \$25.00. Choice
Men's Cheviot Suits
Men's Cassimere Suits
Men's Worsteds Suits **\$10.00**

To-Day and To-Morrow

Boys' Knee Pants Suits Which sold last season up to \$10.00. Choice
In Worsteds, Serges and Cheviots **\$4.45**

To-Day and To-Morrow

Boys' Knee Pants Suits Which sold last season at \$5.00 and \$6.00. Choice
In Thinbets, Serges and Cheviots **\$2.95**

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WOULD NOT INSULT MY FRIENDS, SAYS BLAIR

Former Councilman Explains His Speech at Chamber of Commerce Smoker. DUE TO MISUNDERSTANDING

Y. M. C. A. Campaign Closes To-Night, and Competition Has Grown Acute.

Competition grows keener every day in the Young Men's Christian Association five-day membership campaign for 300 new members, and last night was an extremely busy one for the captains and workers who met to discuss the plans for the final day's campaign.

The report showed Hawkins' team was in the lead, with only four more members to make up for his team's share of the work. He is confident of being able to reach the goal of fifty to-night. Captains Crawford, Masie and Gilliam come next in order, and indications point to a close and interesting race among these three. Chairman Taylor and Membership Secretary Buchanan are ready to give their time to-day to any captain or worker who wishes to go out with them.

Some of the new members are doing fine work, and bringing in four new men. One member has secured four new ones in his own office, and is working for two or three more. His roommate, who would not be outside, secured another four. Another man brought in three new ones last night for his team at the time.

Those are requested to report at 6:30 P. M. to-day, so that if there is any shortage there will be plenty of time to make it up by closing time, 10:30 P. M., when all teams will report.

TUCKER SPOKE FOR THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET IN 1896

In the report of an address made by Harry S. George Tucker at Manchester Saturday night, Mr. Tucker was quoted as saying that he did not believe in free silver in 1896, did not make speeches in favor of the Democratic nominees, but supported the ticket at the polls. What Mr. Tucker did say was that while he did not believe in free silver, he made campaign speeches for the Democratic nominees and supported them in the election.

"In justice to all concerned, I feel constrained to explain them, not for the benefit of those present, who clearly understood me, but for the outside public, inasmuch as the matter has appeared in the public print."

"I have the highest regard for the Council as a body, and count a large majority of its members as among my warmest and most loyal friends, and this is evidenced by the unusual compliment paid me in political matters, when more than forty-five of the Council published a written card endorsing me as a State Senator for this city."

"No fair-minded man would think me capable of gratuitously insulting such friends as they have proved themselves. The whole misunderstanding grew out of the fact that I stated that in my judgment, after two years of experience and hard work as an Alderman—serving on the Finance, Ordinance and Reform and Market Committees—the duties of the members should be changed so that they could give their entire time and thought to legislative work—to wit, making the laws, instead of having to make and execute them, as is now the case."

"The work of execution should be done by the city officials, who are paid large salaries, thus letting the city get the continued service of iron of brains, whose time would not be so taken up as to almost make them sacrifice their own private interests if they properly attended to all their duties as entitled under the present system. In other words, in my judgment, after two years of large affairs can seriously ever be induced to go to the Council, and when they go, they very quickly, as a rule, return, because their time is taken up with detail work that a \$50 clerk should do."

FUMBLING WITH DOOR

Negroes May Have Tried to Enter Home of J. M. Rubens.

Just after Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rubens, of 2206 West Grace Street, left their home last night, neighbors saw some strange negroes walk up on their front porch and begin to fumble with the lock. No one knew what the negroes were there for, and the neighbors telephoned to the house Mr. and Mrs. Rubens were visiting. The latter telephoned to the police, who answered at once.

The negroes were frightened off before they could gain entrance. But it is not certain whether they were outside burglars or simply some men who had business with Mr. Rubens. It is not considered probable that burglars would try to enter a house through the front door so early in the night.